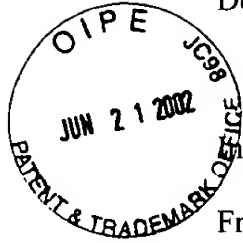


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In re Application of

Fredrica V. COATES

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For: PROTECTIVE UNDERGARMENTS HAVING ANCHORED POCKETED-SLING STRUCTURES AND MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREFOR

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT (37 CFR 1.121)

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliance Amendment dated May 21, 2002,
please enter the following corrected amendment.

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please amend the abstract as follows:

A reusable infant or adult diaper [comprising] with an inner anchored pocketed sling structure adjoining an outer shell or pant-type garment. The outer shell or garment fits the wearer's torso and legs, and the inner-anchored sling fits and conforms to the wearer's pubic region. [One embodiment of the invention includes] Included are mechanisms to fasten and remove the anchored sling from underwear[. Other

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